

Claim Amendments

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A profile-extruded article of ~~a fiber-reinforced polymer of comprising a polymer and fiber present in and reinforcing the polymer, wherein the polymer comprises poly(vinyl chloride)-vinyl chloride monomer~~, wherein the article has a ratio of actual specific gravity to theoretical specific gravity of nearly unity, and wherein the fibers are present in the polymer in an amount of from about 5 to about 40 percent by weight.

2. (Original) The article of Claim 1, the ratio of actual specific gravity to theoretical specific gravity ranges from about 0.90 to about 0.99.

3. (Original) The article of Claim 1, the ratio of actual specific gravity to theoretical specific gravity ranges from about 0.95 to about 0.99.

4. (Original) The article of Claim 1, the ratio of actual specific gravity to theoretical specific gravity ranges from about 0.97 to about 0.99.

5. (Currently Amended) The article of Claim 1, wherein the ~~polymer of vinyl chloride monomer~~ poly(vinyl chloride) has a weight average molecular weight ranging from about 30×10^3 to about 168×10^3 .

6. (Original) The article of Claim 1, wherein the fiber is selected from the group consisting of glass, nylon, graphite, wood, and combinations thereof.

7. (Original) The article of Claim 6, wherein the article has glass fibers.

8. (Original) The article of Claim 1, wherein the fibers have a length ranging from about 500 μm to about 1 mm.

Claim 9. (Cancelled)

Claims 10- 20. (Cancelled)

21. (New) A profile-extruded article comprising a polymer and fiber present in and reinforcing the polymer, wherein the polymer comprises poly(vinyl chloride), wherein the article has a ratio of actual specific gravity to theoretical specific gravity of nearly unity,

wherein the poly(vinyl chloride) has a weight average molecular weight ranging from about 30×10^3 to about 168×10^3 .

22. (New) The article of Claim 21, the ratio of actual specific gravity to theoretical specific gravity ranges from about 0.90 to about 0.99.

23. (New) The article of Claim 21, the ratio of actual specific gravity to theoretical specific gravity ranges from about 0.95 to about 0.99.

24. (New) The article of Claim 21, the ratio of actual specific gravity to theoretical specific gravity ranges from about 0.97 to about 0.99.

25. (New) The article of Claim 21, wherein the fiber is selected from the group consisting of glass, nylon, graphite, wood, and combinations thereof.

26. (New) The article of Claim 25, wherein the article has glass fibers.

27. (New) The article of Claim 21, wherein the fibers have a length ranging from about 500 μm to about 1 mm.

28. (New) The article of Claim 1, wherein the fibers are present in the polymer in an amount of from about 5 percent to about 40 percent by weight.

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